MR. P. C. KURIYAN (*Kottayam I*): May I have an instance of a place where a pay-ward was constructed because there was demand made for it?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Tiruvalla is a place where a maternity ward was established on the lines of the pay-ward as a result of demands made for it. In the case of Kottayam, as far back as 1930, the Municipality expressed their desire to put up a pay-ward in the Hospital compound itself. Government sanctioned this, subject to certain conditions. Since October 1930, the Municipality have done nothing about it.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): May I know whether the establishment of pay-wards has resulted in loss or gain to Government?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): They are certainly not reproductive.

Women and Children's Hospital at Kottayam.

308. *MR. P. C. KURIYAN (*Kottayam I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Women and Children's Hospitals in the State;

(*b*) whether Kottayam has got a Women and Children's Hospital;

(*c*) the number of women patients and children patients in the Kottayam District Hospital for the years 1105, 1106, 1107, 1108, 1109, 1110, 1111 and 1112 (till 3-6-1112); and

(*d*) whether the Government have received any representation regarding the necessity for a separate Women and Children's Hospital at Kottayam?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) There are only two hospitals in the State set apart exclusively for women *i.e.*, the Women and Children's Hospital at Trivandrum and the Victoria Jubilee Hospital at Quilon.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The number of women and children patients are as follows:—

Year.	*Number of patients.*
1105 ...	27,562
1106 ...	32,563
1107 ...	29,765
1108 ...	34,406
1109 ...	33,495
1110 ...	31,595
1111 ...	36,876
1112 (for five months):	13,898

(*d*) Such a representation is not forthcoming.

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